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In re Patent Application of:
Joseph L. Mark

Application No.: 10/786,727

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Art Unit: 3736

For: FLUID CONNECTOR AND BIOPSY SYSTEM
INCLUDING SAME

Examiner: M. Apanius

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.